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MANITOBA DATA HIGHLIGHTS

Manitoba's overall unemployment rate in 2002 averaged 5.2%, the lowest among the provinces, although up slightly from an annual average of 5.0% in 2001. Canada's unemployment rate averaged 7.7% last year, up from 7.2% in 2001. Manitoba's youth unemployment rate was also the lowest in the country last year, at 10.2%. While that represents an increase from 9.7% in 2001, our youth unemployment rate last year was nearly three and a half percentage points lower than the national average of 13.6%.

Total employment in Manitoba averaged 567,000 persons in 2002, a gain of 9,100 jobs (up 1.6%) from the 2001 average of 557,900. Job growth in 2002 was more than two and a half times faster than the 2001 annual increase of just 0.6%. Despite better growth, Manitoba's overall job growth rate of 1.6% last year was tied with British Columbia for seventh place among the provinces, and trailed the national gain of 2.2%.

But there were more Manitobans working than ever before in 2002. Our employment rate (the percent of the working age population with jobs) reached 65.6% last year, the highest ever, and the second highest in the country after Alberta at 69.1%.

About forty percent of our job growth in 2002 was in full-time jobs. Full-time employment averaged 453,200 persons, a gain of 3,500 (up 0.8%) from 2001 levels. Our 0.8% growth in 2002, while modest, represents a significant improvement over annual growth of just 0.2% in full-time jobs during 2001. Full-time employment at the national level rose 1.5% last year.

Manitoba's private sector created 6,800 new jobs in 2002, accounting for 75% of our total employment growth. Over the last three years, provincial growth in private sector jobs has averaged 1.1% annually, a little stronger than the 0.8% annual growth that prevailed in the 1990's.

All of Manitoba's job gains in 2002 were driven by service-producing side of the economy, with an overall gain of 11,800 jobs (up 2.8%). Growth was particular strong in education and health services (up 6,200 jobs or 5.7%) and information, culture and recreation (up 1,600 jobs or 7.0%). Wholesale and retail trade and professional and administrative services each added an estimated 1,300 jobs. Employment in the goods-producing sector declined by 2,600 jobs (down 1.8%) last year, with most of the losses concentrated in construction (down 2,300 jobs or 8.4%) and manufacturing (down 2,000 jobs or 2.8%).

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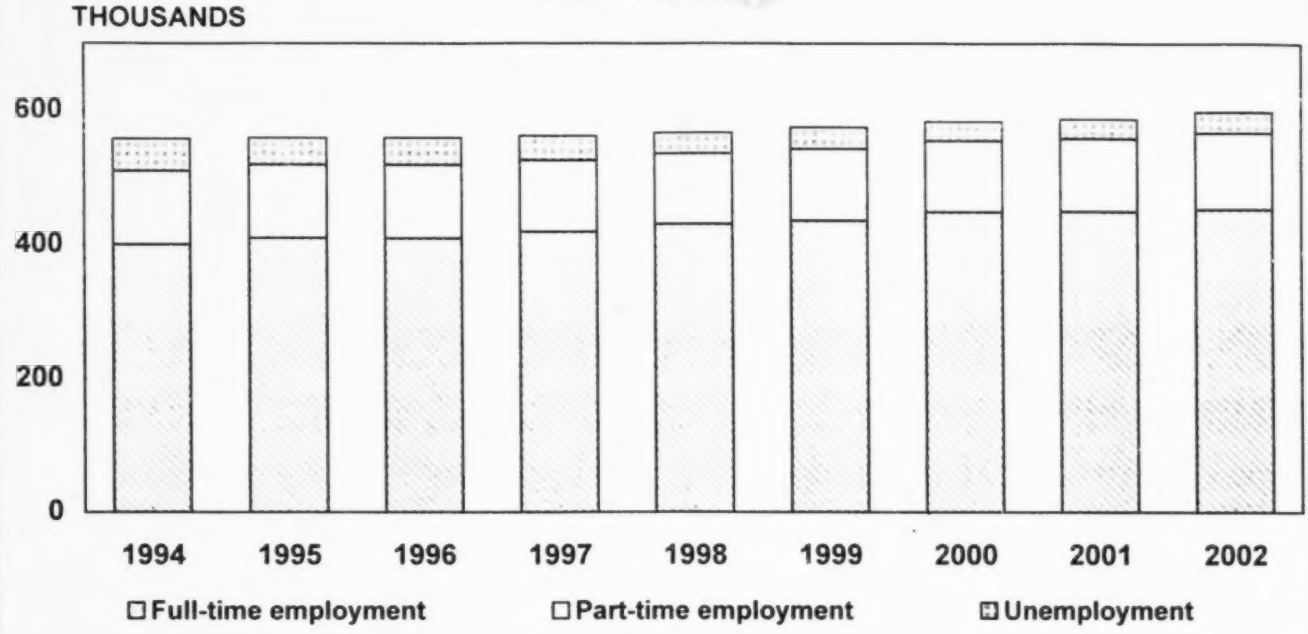

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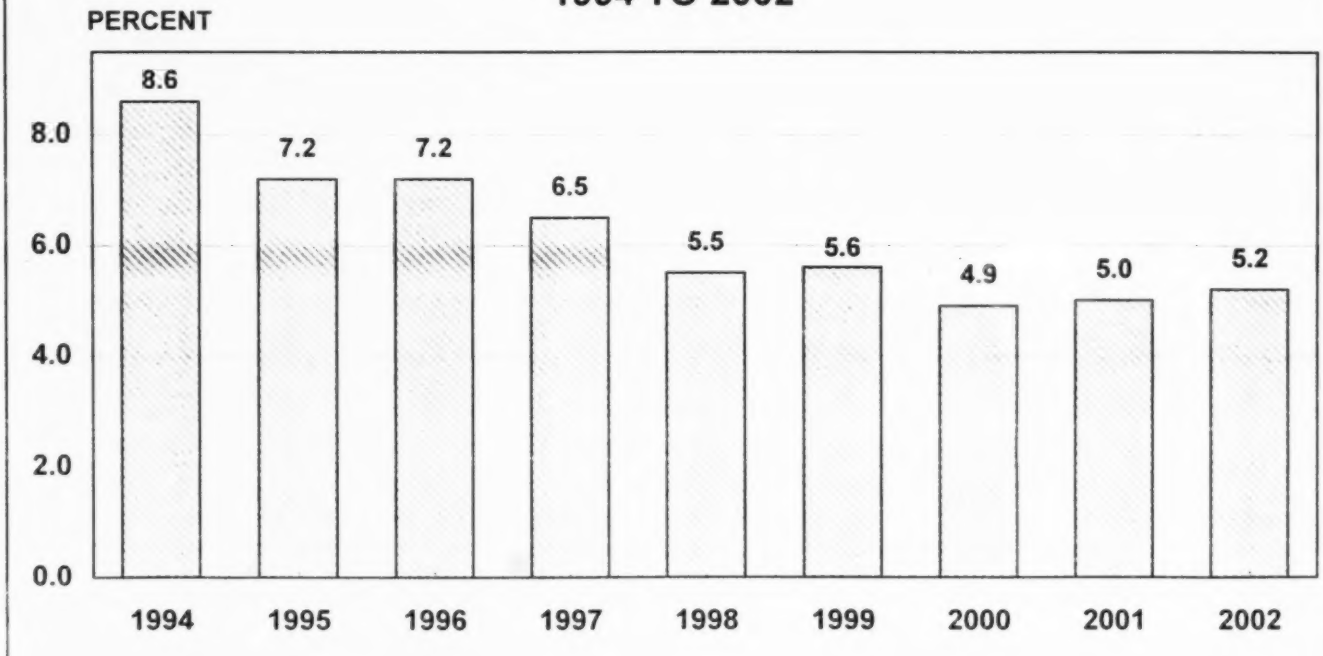

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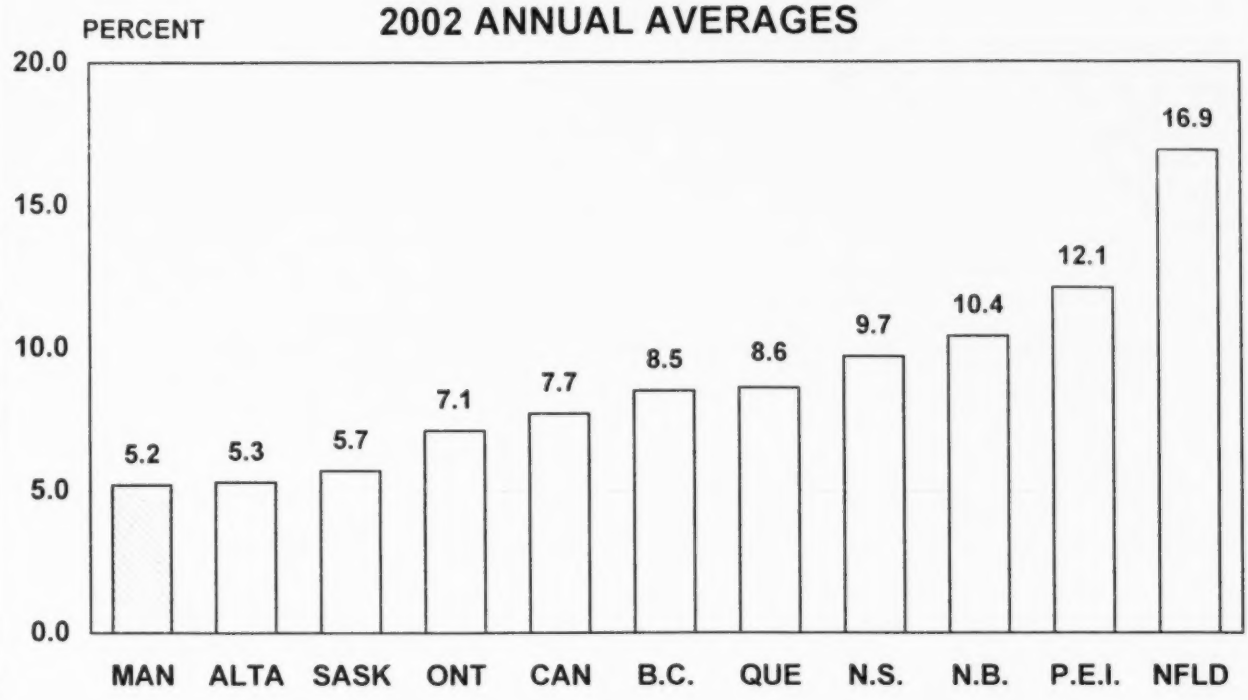

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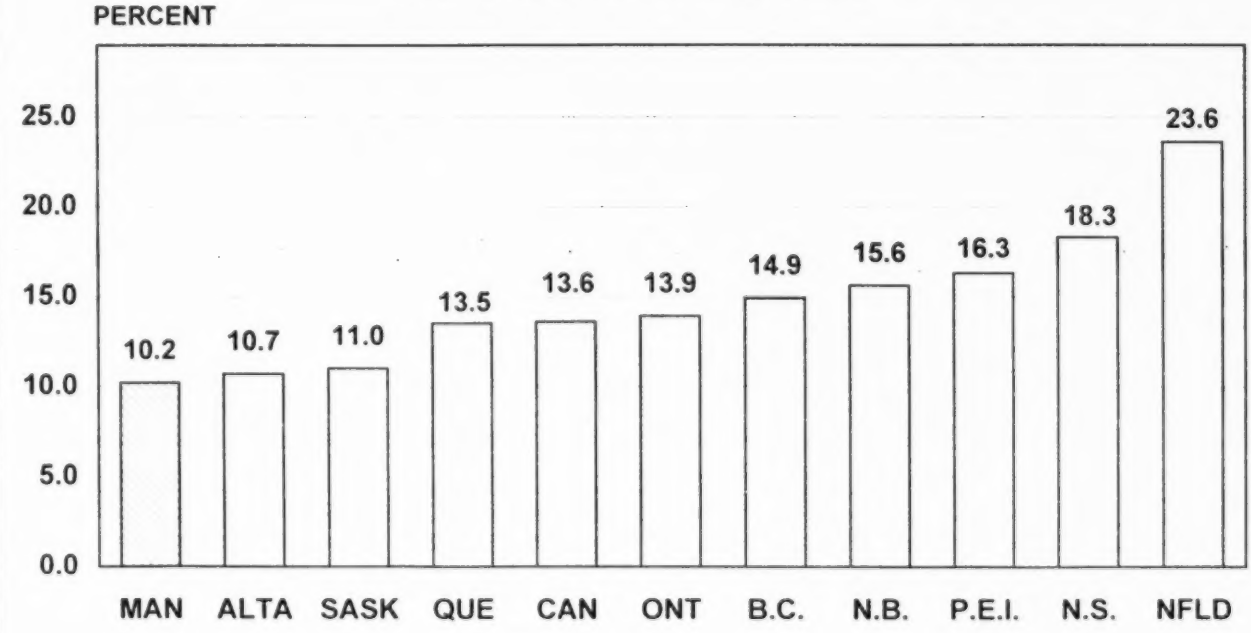

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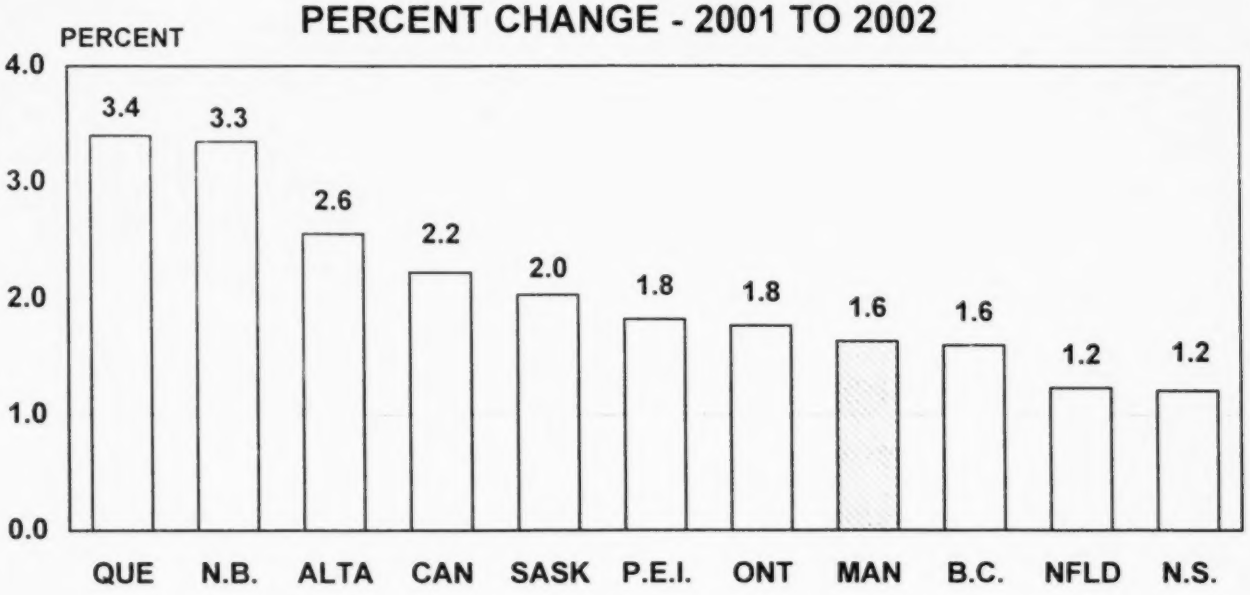

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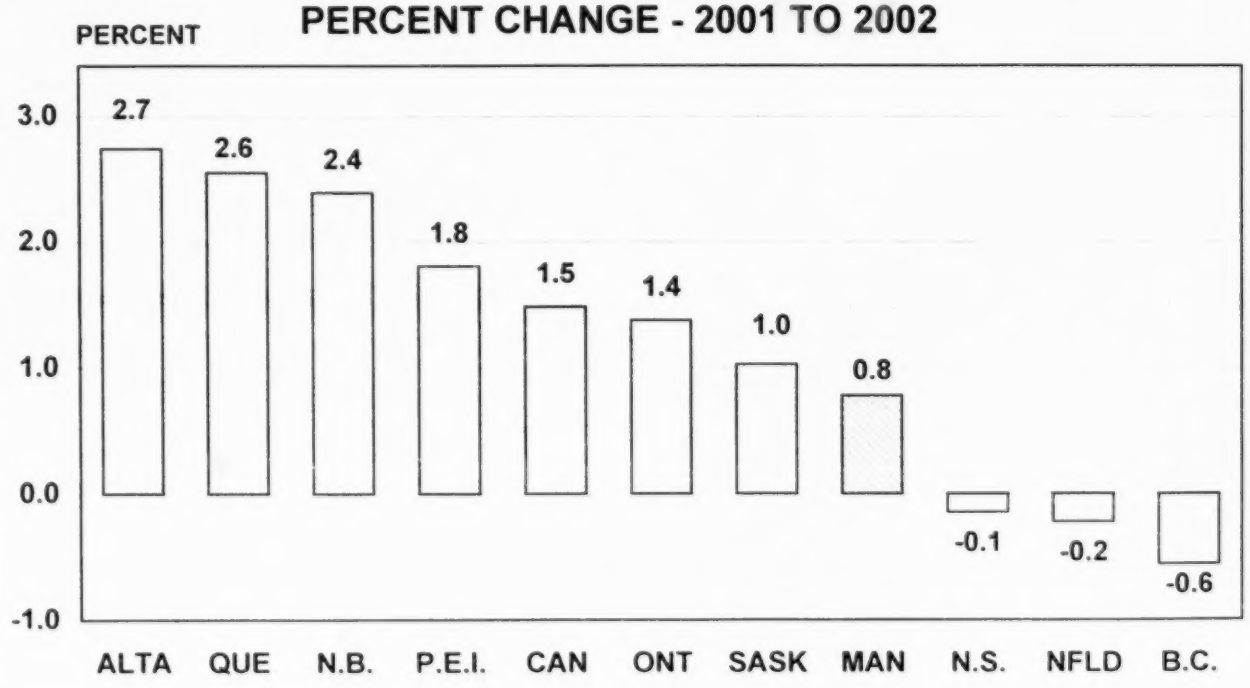

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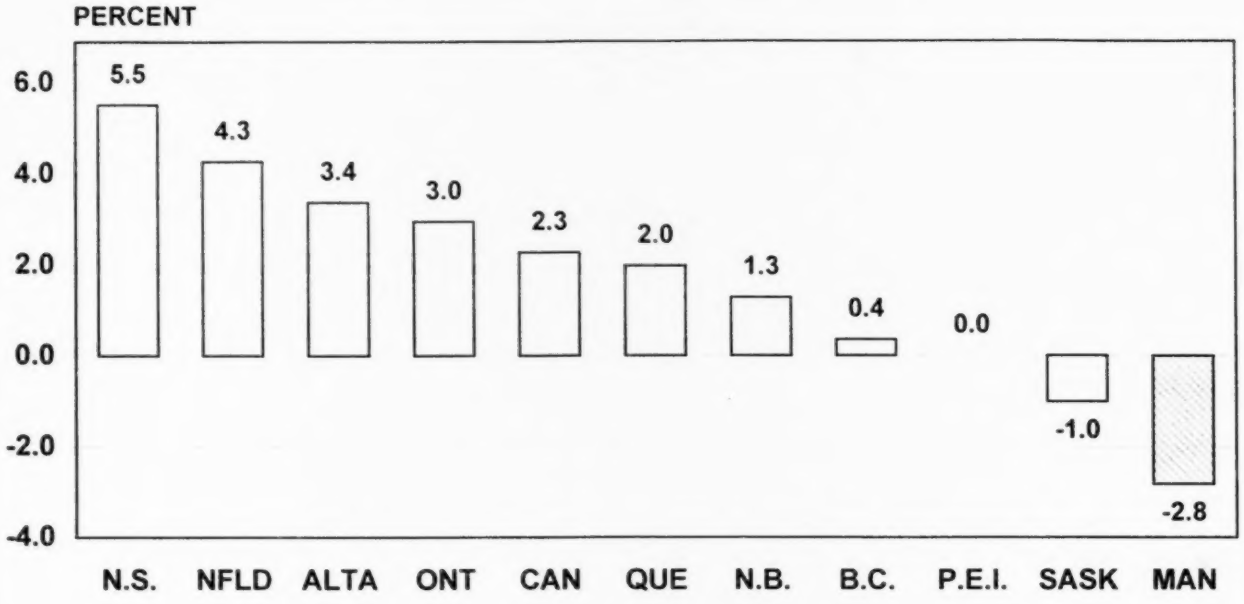

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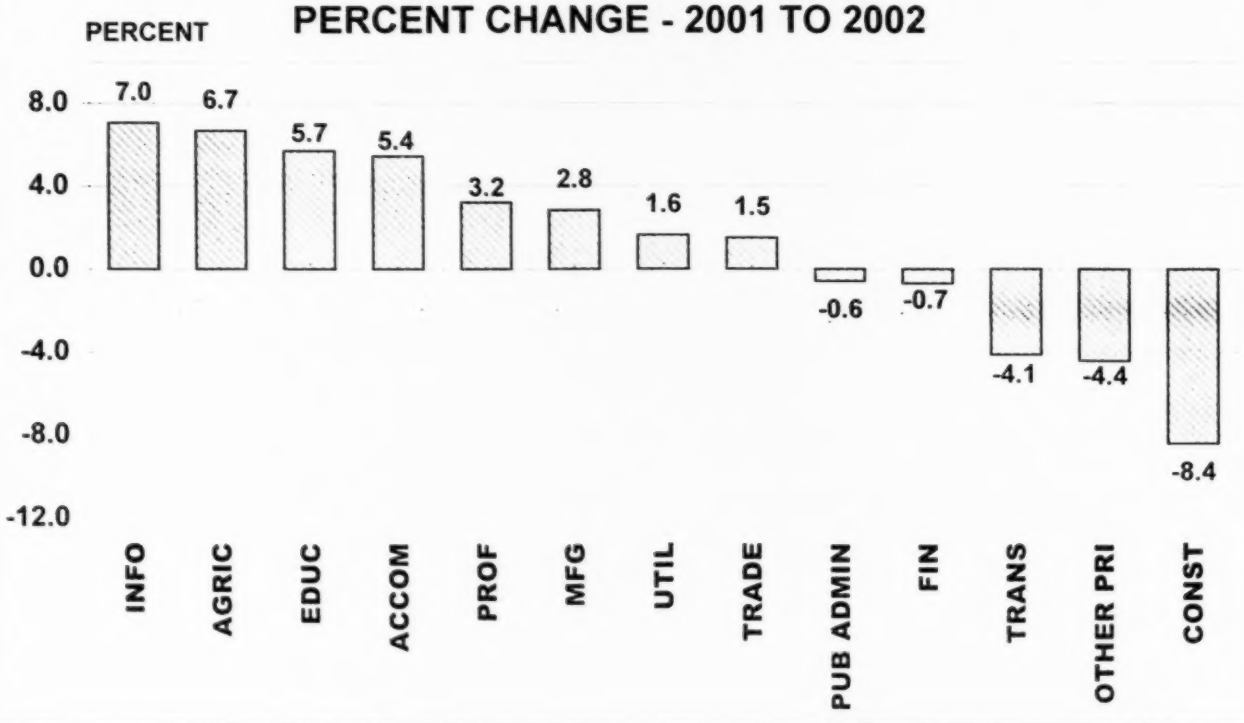

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TABLE 1: PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA			CANADA		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
LABOUR FORCE	583,200	587,100	598,000	15,999,200	16,246,300	16,689,400
EMPLOYMENT	554,400	557,900	567,000	14,909,700	15,076,800	15,411,800
PART TIME	105,600	108,200	113,800	2,701,600	2,731,600	2,883,700
MEN	31,400	33,000	33,700	829,700	844,000	900,000
WOMEN	74,200	75,200	80,100	1,871,800	1,887,600	1,983,700
FULL TIME	448,800	449,700	453,200	12,208,100	12,345,200	12,528,200
MEN	267,700	268,700	270,300	7,219,500	7,265,700	7,362,000
WOMEN	181,100	181,000	182,800	4,988,600	5,079,500	5,166,100
UNEMPLOYMENT	28,700	29,300	31,000	1,089,600	1,169,600	1,277,600
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	4.9	5.0	5.2	6.8	7.2	7.7
PARTICIPATION RATE	67.9	68.1	69.2	65.9	66.0	66.9

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 1 (CONTINUED): PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA PERCENT CHANGE		CANADA PERCENT CHANGE	
	2000 TO 2001	2001 TO 2002	2000 TO 2001	2001 TO 2002
LABOUR FORCE	0.7%	1.9%	1.5%	2.7%
EMPLOYMENT	0.6%	1.6%	1.1%	2.2%
PART TIME	2.5%	5.2%	1.1%	5.6%
MEN	5.1%	2.1%	1.7%	6.6%
WOMEN	1.3%	6.5%	0.8%	5.1%
FULL TIME	0.2%	0.8%	1.1%	1.5%
MEN	0.4%	0.6%	0.6%	1.3%
WOMEN	-0.1%	1.0%	1.8%	1.7%
UNEMPLOYMENT	2.1%	5.8%	7.3%	9.2%
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	0.1pts	0.2pts	0.4pts.	0.5pts
PARTICIPATION RATE	0.2pts	1.1pts	0.1pts	0.9pts

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TABLE 2: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	2000	2001	2002	CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
MANITOBA	4.9	5.0	5.2	0.1 pts.	0.2 pts.
CANADA	6.8	7.2	7.7	0.4 pts.	0.5 pts.
NEWFOUNDLAND	16.7	16.1	16.9	-0.6 pts.	0.8 pts.
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.0	11.9	12.1	-0.1 pts.	0.2 pts.
NOVA SCOTIA	9.1	9.7	9.7	0.6 pts.	0.0 pts.
NEW BRUNSWICK	10.0	11.2	10.4	1.2 pts.	-0.8 pts.
QUEBEC	8.4	8.7	8.6	0.3 pts.	-0.1 pts.
ONTARIO	5.7	6.3	7.1	0.6 pts.	0.8 pts.
SASKATCHEWAN	5.2	5.8	5.7	0.6 pts.	-0.1 pts.
ALBERTA	5.0	4.6	5.3	-0.4 pts.	0.7 pts.
BRITISH COLUMBIA	7.2	7.7	8.5	0.5 pts.	0.8 pts.
* MANITOBA RANK	1	2	1		

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* Ranking is in ascending order from the lowest unemployment rate

TABLE 3: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES

AGES 15 TO 24 YEARS

	2000	2001	2002	CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
MANITOBA	9.3	9.7	10.2	0.4 pts.	0.5 pts.
CANADA	12.6	12.8	13.6	0.2 pts.	0.8 pts.
NEWFOUNDLAND	25.7	24.7	23.6	-1.0 pts.	-1.1 pts.
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	14.7	16.3	16.3	1.6 pts.	0.0 pts.
NOVA SCOTIA	15.6	17.7	18.3	2.1 pts.	0.6 pts.
NEW BRUNSWICK	15.8	17.2	15.6	1.4 pts.	-1.6 pts.
QUEBEC	13.9	13.6	13.5	-0.3 pts.	-0.1 pts.
ONTARIO	11.8	12.5	13.9	0.7 pts.	1.4 pts.
SASKATCHEWAN	10.6	11.5	11.0	0.9 pts.	-0.5 pts.
ALBERTA	10.7	9.1	10.7	-1.6 pts.	1.6 pts.
BRITISH COLUMBIA	13.6	13.6	14.9	0.0 pts.	1.3 pts.
* MANITOBA RANK	1	2	1		

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TABLE 4: TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	2000	2001	2002	PERCENT CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	PERCENT CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
MANITOBA	554,400	55 900	567,000	0.6%	1.6%
CANADA	14,909,700	15,076,800	15,411,800	1.1%	2.2%
NEWFOUNDLAND	204,600	211,300	213,900	3.3%	1.2%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	64,500	65,900	67,100	2.2%	1.8%
NOVA SCOTIA	419,500	423,300	428,400	0.9%	1.2%
NEW BRUNSWICK	334,400	334,400	345,600	0.0%	3.3%
QUEBEC	3,437,700	3,474,500	3,592,700	1.1%	3.4%
ONTARIO	5,872,100	5,962,700	6,068,000	1.5%	1.8%
SASKATCHEWAN	485,000	472,400	482,000	-2.6%	2.0%
ALBERTA	1,588,200	1,632,100	1,673,800	2.8%	2.6%
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,949,100	1,942,400	1,973,400	-0.3%	1.6%
* MANITOBA RANK				7	7

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TABLE 5: FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	2000	2001	2002	PERCENT CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	PERCENT CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
MANITOBA	448,800	449,700	453,200	0.2%	0.8%
CANADA	12,208,100	12,345,200	12,528,200	1.1%	1.5%
NEWFOUNDLAND	174,300	180,800	180,400	3.7%	-0.2%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	53,900	55,400	56,400	2.8%	1.8%
NOVA SCOTIA	341,200	347,800	347,300	1.9%	-0.1%
NEW BRUNSWICK	283,200	284,500	291,300	0.5%	2.4%
QUEBEC	2,856,400	2,877,400	2,950,800	0.7%	2.6%
ONTARIO	4,821,500	4,903,500	4,970,900	1.7%	1.4%
SASKATCHEWAN	389,500	380,600	384,500	-2.3%	1.0%
ALBERTA	1,292,200	1,335,400	1,372,000	3.3%	2.7%
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,547,000	1,529,900	1,521,400	-1.1%	-0.6%
* MANITOBA RANK				8	7

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TABLE 6: MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT BY PROVINCE

	2000	2001	2002	PERCENT CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	PERCENT CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
MANITOBA	70,800	70,800	68,800	0.0%	-2.8%
CANADA	2,280,200	2,274,500	2,326,200	-0.2%	2.3%
NEWFOUNDLAND	16,000	16,400	17,100	2.5%	4.3%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	6,500	6,300	6,300	-3.1%	0.0%
NOVA SCOTIA	43,500	43,500	45,900	0.0%	5.5%
NEW BRUNSWICK	41,100	39,000	39,500	-5.1%	1.3%
QUEBEC	629,000	642,500	655,200	2.1%	2.0%
ONTARIO	1,098,700	1,087,600	1,119,700	-1.0%	3.0%
SASKATCHEWAN	29,200	29,800	29,500	2.1%	-1.0%
ALBERTA	140,100	142,300	147,100	1.6%	3.4%
BRITISH COLUMBIA	205,400	196,200	196,900	-4.5%	0.4%
* MANITOBA RANK				5	10

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TABLE 7: MANITOBA TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

	2000	2001	2002	PERCENT CHANGE 2000 TO 2001	PERCENT CHANGE 2001 TO 2002
AGRICULTURE	33,300	30,000	32,000	-9.9%	6.7%
OTHER PRIMARY (1)	6,600	6,800	6,500	3.0%	-4.4%
UTILITIES	6,800	6,100	6,200	-10.3%	1.6%
CONSTRUCTION	28,500	27,400	25,100	-3.9%	-8.4%
MANUFACTURING	70,800	70,800	68,800	0.0%	-2.8%
TRADE	81,600	86,500	87,800	6.0%	1.5%
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	35,000	36,400	34,900	4.0%	-4.1%
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE & LEASING	29,700	28,800	28,600	-3.0%	-0.7%
PROFESSIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	39,900	40,500	41,800	1.5%	3.2%
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	108,900	108,700	114,900	-0.2%	5.7%
INFORMATION, CULTURE & RECREATION	20,100	22,700	24,300	12.9%	7.0%
ACCOMMODATION & OTHER SERVICES	60,300	58,900	62,100	-2.3%	5.4%
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	33,100	34,200	34,000	3.3%	-0.6%
TOTAL: GOODS PRODUCING	146,000	141,200	138,600	-3.3%	-1.8%
TOTAL: SERVICE PRODUCING	408,500	416,600	428,400	2.0%	2.8%
TOTAL: ALL INDUSTRIES	554,400	557,900	567,000	0.6%	1.6%

(1) Includes Forestry, Fishing and Mining.

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